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Joint Statement by Foreign and Defense Ministers of the Expanded Small Group of the Global Coalition to Counter ISIL / Daesh

U.S. Department of State
July 21, 2016

The Foreign and Defense Ministers of the Counter-ISIL (Da'esh) Coalition Small Group, Military Coalition and members that have made major non-military contributions met today in Washington at the invitation of U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry and U.S. Secretary of Defense Ash Carter to build momentum and accelerate the multi-front campaign to defeat Da'esh in Iraq and Syria. The Coalition Small Group also refined its common approach to Da'esh's affiliates in Libya and other regions of the world, reinforcing the shared determination to disrupt its global terrorist ambitions.

Remarks at the Counter-ISIL Ministerial Meeting

Remarks by Secretary of State Kerry; Brett McGurk, Special Presidential Envoy for the Global Coalition To Counter ISIL, Office of the Special Presidential Envoy for the Global Coalition to Counter ISIL, and Secretary of Defense Ashton Carter
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"Our airstrikes have degraded Daesh's leadership, put pressure on its supply lines, disrupted its ability to carry out offensive military operations." Secretary Kerry words.

Press Availability after the Counter-ISIL Ministerial Meeting

Remarks Secretary of State Kerry
July 21, 2016

"Across every region and in every aspect of our work the level of commitment could not be higher. And the recent spate of vicious terror attacks in various countries from the Middle East through Europe and elsewhere has only made every single member of this coalition more determined to succeed."

Remarks by Secretary of State Kerry at the Pledging Conference in Support of Iraq

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July 20, 2016

"What we are doing here today is something that we do in addition to our regular budgets and it's a step that we take in response to extraordinary circumstances. Those are what we see today – extraordinary circumstances in Iraq."

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